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## Dear Chairmen and Ranking Members:

As the committee begins consideration of the fiscal year 2011 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies appropriations bill and report, we write in support of the following projects. Please note that these projects are listed in no particular order.

**Project Title:** 

Classroom Technology to Connect Tribal Youth

Intended Recipient: Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon

Location:

Warm Springs, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$420,000

Account:

FIE

Description:

Funds will be used to acquire information technology equipment for the Warm Springs Tribe. Funds will also be used to hire one instructor. This will allow more of the currently 800 rural and tribal students who visit the Place for Kids Club per month but only have access to 3 outdated computers to connect with on and off reservation cultural, educational, and workforce development programs. Connecting rural youth and especially tribal youth through on-line and off-line multimedia content provides a much needed opportunity for advancement and hope on a reservation where the current unemployment rate stands at 68%.

**Project Title:** 

Family Access Network (FAN)

Intended Recipient: Deschutes County

Location:

Bend, Oregon

Request Amount: \$425,000 Account: \$SSR

**Description:** FAN is a partnership of local government agencies, hospitals, school districts and organizations that work together to build healthy communities. FAN focuses on the family as a whole and provides a collaborative network to meet the basic needs of disadvantaged children and improve physical and mental health. FAN works by connecting school-age children and their families with vital family support services such as Oregon Health Plan services, counseling, mediation services, translation services, after-school programs, shelter, clothing and food assistance.

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Project Title: Serving Rural Central Oregon Victims of Child Abuse in their own

Communities

Intended Recipient: Kids Intervention & Diagnostic Service Center

**Location:** Bend, Oregon Request Amount: \$300,000

Account: CA

**Description:** Suspected child abuse victims from rural Central Oregon will be provided with expert medical evaluations, treatment, and family support in their own communities. Funding will allow for the planning, staff training and first year implementation of these services in the rural communities of Jefferson and Crook Counties.

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Project Title Neighbor Impact, Birth-to-Three Program (Early Head Start)

Intended Recipient: Deschutes County Location: Bend, Oregon Request Amount: \$627,400

Account: \$627,40

**Description:** This project will provide early, intensive, and comprehensive educational, health, mental health, social, and family support services for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged infants, toddlers and pregnant women in Deschutes County, Oregon. The project will serve 55-65 infants and toddlers, their families and 5-10 pregnant women for 48 weeks per year. The project design was developed in partnership with the local early childhood community in order to create a program that would be fully integrated within the community, take full advantage of the existing local prenatal to three services, and prevent duplication of services.

Project Title:

Central Oregon Health Information Technology

Intended Recipient: Cascade Healthcare Community (CHC)

Location: Bend, Oregon
Request Amount: \$452,400
Account: HRSA

**Description:** The project addresses the Cascade Healthcare Community's

finding that the most frequent 15 individuals using the hospital emergency room for basic

health care - on average visiting an ER twice a month – cost the CHC system approximately \$150,000 per person over the course of a year. This project would provide a federal share of the initial budget for staff to implement a regional healthcare navigation system to connect those with high rates of Medicaid usage with resources in rural communities, such as primary care providers and additional social services.

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**Project Title:** Centralized Diabetes Care of Oregon

Intended Recipient: Diabetes Nation
Location: Bend, Oregon
Request Amount: \$200,000
Account: HRSA

**Description:** Funds would be used to provide a low-cost, centralized location for a Diabetes Nation Multi-Specialty Diabetes Center of Excellence in rural Central Oregon for individuals who desire to receive timely and appropriate preventative care related to their diabetes, as well as for those at risk of developing diabetes.

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Project Title: Union County Acute Care Facility/Medical Detox Unit

Intended Recipient: Center for Human Development, Inc.

**Location:** La Grande, Oregon

Request Amount: \$1,020,600 Account: HRSA

**Description:** This project will provide mental health, acute care and medical detoxification services to veterans and other community members from a remote 13 county region of Eastern Oregon. Currently, this region is served by an acute care facility that is 275 miles from La Grande, resulting in a more than six hour drive for an individual in acute mental health distress to receive adequate treatment. The project would also provide much needed medical detoxification services that currently do not exist in the region.

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Project Title: Rural Student Access Program Intended Recipient: Eastern Oregon University

Location: La Grande, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$300,000 FIPSE

**Description:** The Rural Student Access Program bridges the gap between rural students and higher education, especially minority students. The program was developed specifically to reverse the national trend of declining post-secondary attendance by students from rural communities. Utilizing faculty and academic resources at Eastern Oregon University, staff is working with students through nine different sites throughout Eastern Oregon; supporting "embedded" part-time college advisers and a half-time recruiter/adviser; and developing bi-lingual marketing materials on college affordability and access.

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**Project Title:** 

Eastern Oregon University Rural Institute

Intended Recipient: Eastern Oregon University

Location:

La Grande, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$200,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

The vast majority of rural communities have few opportunities to access external resources to provide research, support, and guidance to develop their local and regional economy. The Eastern Oregon University Rural Institute will be dedicated to helping build and support stronger communities in rural Oregon by providing technical assistance, applied research, university-level resources and information dissemination to city and county governments, public and non-profit organizations, and small businesses and individuals. The Institute connects the many needs of small rural communities with the resources of a public university – professional research tools, faculty expertise, student employment/internships, and partner programs.

**Project Title:** 

Veterinary Program Development Intended Recipient: Blue Mountain Community College

Location:

Pendleton, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$300,000 **FIPSE** 

Account:

**Description:** 

Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) requests funds to develop a new career/technical program, an associate of applied science degree in veterinary technology to address a projected high demand for skilled workers in animal care fields in Oregon, the Pacific Northwest, and the nation. In keeping with the rural environment of northeastern Oregon and to leverage the expertise and resources of BMCC's long-standing agriculture and animal science programs, the veterinary technician program will have a large animal emphasis, though the curriculum will be comprehensive and students will graduate with well-rounded skills. Students will have the option of earning a certificate in equine science (which the college intends eventually

to expand into a two-year degree program), pre-veterinary science, and farrier science.

**Project Title:** 

Blue Mountain Community College's Baker County Center

Intended Recipient: Blue Mountain Community College

Location:

Pendleton, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$225,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) requests funds for curriculum and program development activities necessary to strengthen the college's capacity to serve the residents of Baker County, an economically distressed rural county characterized by low educational attainment. Rapidly increasing enrollments at BMCC's existing center in Baker City are straining the center's available resources. This project will establish a state-of-the-art computer laboratory, strengthen academic advising

capacity, support the development of a comprehensive course schedule, and support community outreach activities.

**Project Title:** 

Springfield Schools Virtual Schools Initiative

Intended Recipient: Springfield School District #19

Location:

Springfield, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$350,000

Account:

FIE

**Description:** 

This project will establish a hybrid program that combines traditional classroom courses with online learning to provide options for SPS students at all levels of learning with the opportunity to complete classes at a pace suited to their own educational needs. Courses will be offered in a variety of modalities like web-based instruction, online learning, interactive videoconferencing or cable and digital networking for SPS District students only. Students can integrate courses into their traditional brickand-mortar school classes that could otherwise not be taken, allowing for advanced placement courses, additional electives such as foreign language, advanced mathematics, and computer technology, or courses to help students with credit make-up or failed classes.

**Project Title:** 

Providing Early Childhood Development & Education for Children

at Risk for Abuse and Neglect

Intended Recipient: Oregon Association of Relief Nurseries

Location:

212 North Oakdale Road, Medford, Oregon 97501

Request Amount:

\$635,000

Account:

CA

Description: Though this project, the Relief Nurseries will be working to increase the amount of crisis respite services for children and infants through five years old. Respite provides parents with an option and positive alternative at a time when the stress in their lives decreases their ability to make positive and safe choices for their children. Through respite, parents may reserve blocks of time or may be able to drop in and leave their child for care to relieve their own stress, take care of personal needs, attend Department of Human Services or court required meetings, and also engage in activities that can address the risk factors within their own lives - finding a job, counseling or medical care, or other services.

**Project Title:** 

Advanced Transportation Technology Center

Intended Recipient: Linn-Benton Community College

Location:

Albany, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$750,000

**FIPSE** 

Account:

Description: Linn-Benton Community College, in partnership with the City of Lebanon, will site an Advanced Transportation Technology Center in Lebanon, Oregon. This center will provide the Willamette Valley with trained technicians of the highest

caliber in alternative fuels and propulsion systems in collaboration with multiple industries to meet identified employment needs. It will also provide critical alternative-fuel vehicles training for first responders.

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**Project Title:** Community Health Assessment Partnership (CHAP)

Intended Recipient: Oregon State University Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Request Amount: \$300,000 CDC

Description: Local health departments (LHDs) in Oregon lack the technical and scientific capacity to assess population health status and public health needs. This project partners Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service, Oregon Public Health Division (OPHD), Coalition of Local Health Officials and OSU's College of Health and Human Sciences in order to: (1) conduct community health assessments, (2) create an effective web-based community health data clearinghouse, (3) establish a practice-based research and assessment partnership, (4) conduct workforce development training conferences for county public health staff, and (5) establish local cooperative agreements among county public health departments and Extension offices to maximize county, state and federal investments.

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Project Title: Mycobacterial Disease Research

Intended Recipient: Oregon State University

Location: Corvallis, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$769,000 FIPSE

**Description:** Mycobacterial diseases, including tuberculosis, constitute a significant global public health concern. The complex interaction of infectious environmental and socioeconomic factors involved in mycobacterial diseases necessitate a multi-disciplinary strategy implemented on a global scale. Researchers at OSU are internationally recognized for their expertise in mycobacterial diseases and seek to capitalize on these existing strengths to develop a comprehensive research and facilities infrastructure, as well as implement a multi-disciplinary graduate education program on human and animal mycobacterial disease prevention and treatment strategies.

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**Project Title:** Youth Education and Development Project

Intended Recipient: Northwest Youth Corps

Location: Eugene, Oregon

Request Amount: \$250,000 Account: FIE

**Description:** Funding will support a paid, team-based, summer education and work experience program in which youth earn high school credit and learn about careers in green jobs and resource management. The program helps youth build self-esteem and a strong work ethic while mastering a wide variety of workforce competencies and

developing the skills they need to find and hold any job. In addition to a daily conservation education program, participants will study a financial literacy curriculum that promotes wise decisions about saving, debt, and the use of credit.

**Project Title:** 

Healthy Babies-Healthy Communities Initiative

Intended Recipient: Lane County, Oregon

Location:

Eugene, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$549,800

Account:

CDC

**Description:** This project involves organization and facilitation of a county-wide effort to reduce fetal-infant mortality by identifying factors associated with fetal-infant deaths and opportunities for community driven initiatives and actions to decrease mortality rates. Lane County's (9.4 per 1000 births) overall fetal-infant mortality rate is higher than the national average (9.1), the state (8.0), and the three other large Oregon counties (Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington). While national and state rates of fetal-infant mortality have been dropping, Lane County's rates increased and have been greater than national and state rates for several years. The County has identified a list of proposed community actions for this project, including: 1) pregnancy prevention and improved health through education and outreach in high schools to promote healthy behaviors; 2) reduced smoking and improved pregnancy outcomes through enhanced tobacco education and cessation efforts; 3) reduced unhealthy behaviors, improved maternal and infant health, and early identification and referral for pregnancy risk factors; 4) increased awareness of safe sleep practices and increased safe sleep. These efforts will help the County build capacity to participate in the Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) home visitation program as a primary intervention.

**Project Title:** 

Lane Community College Electronic Health Record

Demonstration Lab

**Intended Recipient:** Lane Community College

Location:

Eugene, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$214,143

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

This project would create an Electronic Health Records (EHR)

demonstration lab to train the next generation of healthcare professionals. The lab will feature mobile computing units with wireless connection to the EHR system (a simulated training environment) of a local health care provider (PeaceHealth) for training students in the Nursing, Health Professions and Health Informatics programs. The demonstration lab will allow students to train with industry-leading tools that bring reliable, automated patient data management directly to the point of care.

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**Project Title:** 

Looking Glass Human Trafficking Prevention Program

Intended Recipient: Looking Glass Youth and Family Services, Inc.

Location:

Eugene, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$478,000

Account:

**SAMHSA** 

Description:

The Looking Glass Trafficking Prevention Project will provide intensive, comprehensive treatment services to young women who are at high risk of becoming trafficking victims. These are teenage girls/young women who have struggled with alcohol/substance abuse, sexual abuse, physical abuse, extreme neglect, traumatic environments, homelessness, mental health issues and medical issues. The project will provide crisis intervention, psychiatric and/or psychological evaluation, alcohol/substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, medical services, medication management, stabilization and transition/reintegration services, as well as an aftercare and evaluation component.

**Project Title:** 

Springfield Schools Student and Family Support Center

**Intended Recipient:** Springfield School District #19

Location:

Springfield, Oregon

Request Amount: Account:

\$635,000

**Description:** 

SSR Springfield Public Schools proposes to establish a Student and

Family Support Center to coordinate in one location (a "one-stop" services center) the array of academic and social support services the district currently provides in multiple locations. Coalescing the districts far-flung services into one center will mean that the high-needs and diverse families who visit the Resource Center will receive better help finding affordable housing, easier registration for the Free and Reduced Lunch program, improved access to basic health services, free clothing and better connections with Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) nutrition program and the Jasper Mountain center for emotionally disturbed children and their families. Homeless families will more easily receive the help they need in compliance with federal Title I regulations. The Young Parent Program will improve assistance to pregnant and parenting teens attending parenting classes and retain daycare services so they can stay in school. The facility would house the Community Transition and Youth Transition programs to help special education student's access developmentally disabled workforce services, and the "El Centro De Bienvenidos" (a facility for Spanish-speaking families).

**Project Title:** 

Southern Oregon Regional Education Center

Intended Recipient: Umpqua Community College

Location:

Roseburg, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$700,000

Account:

FIPSE

Description:

Funding for the technology-related needs of the Southern Oregon Regional Education Center will provide the technical infrastructure necessary to outfit smart classrooms for distance course delivery and create a business and community forum resource for testing and research. The facility will include an outdoor laboratory,

two instructional classrooms, two science labs, a testing facility and community gathering space. The design concept includes generic classrooms to maximize shared use space,

staff offices in close proximity to encourage disciplinary collaboration and shared meeting rooms.

**Project Title:** 

Southern Oregon University Theatre Arts Building Renovation and

Expansion

**Intended Recipient:** Southern Oregon University (SOU)

Location:

Ashland, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$769,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

Southern Oregon University requests funding for design and engineering planning to expand and renovate the Theatre Arts building, a 38,226 square foot teaching and performance facility, built to serve 60 students and currently serving 230 theatre students on the Ashland campus. For the project, 10,488 square feet will be remodeled, and 22,151 square feet will be added for a total of 60,377 square feet. The cornerstone of SOU's designation as an Oregon University System Center for Fine and Performing Arts, the investment will enable SOU to expand programming and attract increased numbers of talented students to the Theater program, which is considered the

**Project Title:** 

RCC Justice Training & Education Center (JTEC)

**Intended Recipient:** Rogue Community College (RCC)

Location:

Grants Pass, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$360,000

top undergraduate opportunity in the Western United States.

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

The Rogue Community College Justice Training & Education

Center will prepare students for private and public criminal justice, public safety, and computer cyber-security careers; and transfer for higher degrees. Its regional in-service and continuing education programs will serve southern Oregon and northern California.

**Project Title:** 

RCC Emergency Services Training Equipment

**Intended Recipient:** Rogue Community College (RCC)

Location:

Grants Pass, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$270,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

Rogue Community College seeks to purchase emergency services equipment needed to upgrade the quality of training for students in the Fire Science and

EMT programs, and provide for a part-time, temporary instructor to update and deliver curriculum.

**Project Title:** 

Oregon Veterans' Job Search Assistance Program

Intended Recipient: Oregon Employment Department

Location:

Salem, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$676,700 ETA

**Description:** Funding will provide assistance to cover job search transportation, clothing allowance, business license fees, and other supportive services to veterans. Funds would be distributed through a network of Local Veteran Employment Representatives and Disabled Veteran Outreach Program staff, who work with veterans daily at Worksource Oregon offices throughout the state. Financial assistance will allow them to overcome employment barriers, and enable them to re-enter the workforce to be productive and contributing members of society.

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**Project Title:** Oregon Healthy Student Initiative

Intended Recipient: Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA)

Location: Wilsonville, Oregon

Request Amount: \$478,000 Account: \$AMHSA

**Description:** Oregon School Activities Association will use funds to implement the NIH studied, U.S. Congress-recognized evidence-based Adolescents Training and Learning to Avoid Steroids (ATLAS) and Athletes Targeting Healthy Exercise and Nuitrition Alternatives (ATHENA) programs in Oregon high school athletic programs throughout the state. Schools selected to participate will receive a full-day training and curriculum for all the coaches and student athletes with follow-up three times per year by trained staff. In so doing, OSAA will provide a more hopeful future for Oregon's high school athletes and keep them drug and alcohol free.

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**Project Title:** Domestic Violence State and Local Collaboration – On-site DV

Advocates and Domestic Violence Service Provider Infrastructure

Funding

**Intended Recipient:** State of Oregon – Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Location:** Salem, Oregon **Request Amount:** \$1,000,000 **Account:** SSR

**Description:** There are two main purposes of this project (1) to provide grants to non-profit domestic and sexual violence service providers related to infrastructure, and (2) to contract with domestic violence service providers to co-locate advocates at child welfare and TANF self-sufficiency offices. The project includes an evaluation component to highlight benefits of outstationed advocates in DHS offices.

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**Project Title:** HomePlate Drop-In Service Center

Intended Recipient: Washington County, Oregon

Location: Hillsboro, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$140,000 SSR

**Description:** HomePlate provides outreach and services to youth at risk of homelessness, as well as to runaway and homeless youth living on the street. As the sole provider of this service in Washington County, it provides this vulnerable population with a safe place to gather, receive nutritious meals, shower, and obtain hygienic supplies. The program supports youth by building positive relationships with adults and peers, connecting youth to education, employment and housing resources, as well as offering referrals to agencies that have demonstrated success in family reunification.

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**Project Title:** Oregon Nursing Faculty Institute **Intended Recipient:** Oregon Center for Nursing

Location: Portland, Oregon

Request Amount: \$185,094 Account: HRSA

**Description:** Funds will be used to initiate the planning phase of the Oregon Nursing Faculty Institute, which will prepare nursing faculty in current teaching pedagogies and allow dedicated time to develop teaching materials and activities. Current nursing faculty has vast clinical experience, but receives minimal training in educational strategies and teaching methods. The Oregon Nursing Faculty Institute will improve the quality of current and future faculty to address the nursing shortage in Oregon.

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**Project Title:** Mobile Medical/Dental Clinic

Intended Recipient: Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center

Location: Hillsboro, Oregon

Request Amount: \$225,000 Account: HRSA

**Description:** Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center requests a new mobile medical/dental clinic to replace its aging and outdated one, which was used and is now fifteen years old. The current mobile clinic is no longer safe nor does it have the necessary equipment to provide patients with the care they need. This clinic is essential to Virginia Garcia's ability to provide medical and dental services to migrant camps, school-based health centers (primarily to provide dental care), community health fairs, low-income and farm worker housing complexes – all locations that serve a significant number of uninsured, underinsured, low-income, and geographically isolated individuals and families with little or no access to medical or dental care.

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Project Title: Clackamas County Vulnerable Adult Unit

Intended Recipient: Clackamas County, Oregon

Location: Oregon City, Oregon

Request Amount: \$335,000 Account: AOA

**Description:** In order to enhance current efforts to protect disabled adults, the

Clackamas County District Attorney, in collaboration with the Sheriff and the

Department of Health, Housing and Human Services, proposes expanding the existing vulnerable elder abuse program by forming a Vulnerable Adult Unit (VAU). This unit would consolidate current law enforcement and social service efforts to protect elderly and disabled adults by bringing together a multi-agency/multi-disciplinary team staffed with five full-time employees and one part-time employee. A senior prosecutor, victim advocate, and senior legal secretary from CCDA; a detective from the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office; and a case manager and human services coordinator from the Health, Housing and Human Services Department would provide a comprehensive approach, including investigation, prosecution, assessment, and treatment, combined with vigorous outreach and education activities that are focused on reporting and preventing the abuse of elderly and disabled adults.

**Project Title:** 

Interprofessional Diabetes Clinic at Pacific University

Intended Recipient: Pacific University Location:

Hillsboro, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$398,550

Account:

HRSA

Description:

Funding would assist the establishment of the Interprofessional Diabetes Clinic (IDC) at Pacific University's Health Professions Campus. The clinic will provide comprehensive, culturally sensitive, affordable care to a mostly under-served, disadvantaged population, while training the next generation of healthcare providers. Multiple services will be provided ranging from initial screenings to preventative care to a fully integrated healthcare home for long-term ongoing care will be provided at one easily accessible location.

**Project Title:** 

Chemeketa Institute for Sustainable Horticulture (CISH)

Intended Recipient: Chemeketa Community College

Location:

Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$750,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

The Chemeketa Institute of Sustainable Horticulture (CISH) brings **Description:** together academic programs, applied research, and community outreach in agriculture, horticulture, enology, viticulture, and the Sustainable Plant Research and Outreach Center (SPROut). CISH will expand Chemeketa's academic programs statewide using distance education, enhance curriculum and laboratory experiences, expand applied research, and offer short-term training, certificates, and degrees, with an emphasis on using plants to address environmental and water quality issues. CISH will support key industries in the West by preparing an educated workforce for a growing number of jobs that increasingly rely on sound sustainable practices in agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, and enology, as well as for civil engineers, landscape architects, foresters, and growers of specialty plants.

**Project Title:** 

Cultural Archives Building

**Intended Recipient:** The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community

Location: Grande Ronde, Oregon

Request Amount: \$400,000 Account: IMLS

**Description:** The tribe plans to undertake a needs assessment to evaluate and plan for an expansion of its archival program and facility. The report generated from the needs assessment would help create a tribal archival comprehensive plan and an expansion of the current archival facility, which currently houses the main body of 2D records. In addition, a significant portion of the facility houses all of the tribal 3D artifacts managed by the Cultural Resources Department. These artifacts include stone tools, basketry, tribal regalia and historic artifacts from the past 150 years of Grand Ronde Reservation history. The Cultural Resources Department' Cultural Collections Division also administers the tribe's cultural archives. The cultural archives are permanent records of tribal history and culture and extend over the past 150 years of reservation history. It is estimated that by 2011, the facility will reach its capacity for storage for any records or artifacts. In addition, the environmental controls for preserving the tribe's 3D artifacts are not optimal. These situations require that the tribe expand the facility at least 30 feet as well as install better environmental controls. In addition, the current tribal archival program is managing the textual records at a basic level of preservation. While archival practices are being implemented many of the government records are eligible to be preserved as cultural records. Therefore, advanced archival policies and best practices need to be integrated into the tribal archival program. This will enable documents eligible for permanent preservation as cultural records to be processed and preserved under industry standards.

**Project Title:** CTGR Electronic Health Records Project

Intended Recipient: Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde (CTGR) Health and

Wellness Center

Location: Grand Ronde, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$176,500 **Account:** HRSA

Description: The project would include implementing the Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record system. The Health & Wellness Center is a relatively new facility (11 years old) but has significant gaps in the infrastructure regarding patient information, which creates inefficiencies which impact the ability to coordinate care and maintain quality outcomes. Implementation of Electronic Health Records is a national priority that would also link external providers to the Health & Wellness Center system of care which improves continuity and access.

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**Project Title:** Increasing Independence for Oregon's Seniors

Intended Recipient: Oregon Association of Area Agencies on Aging & Disabilities

**Location:** Salem, Oregon **Request Amount:** \$250,000

Account: AOA

This project will increase the capacity of Oregon Project **Description:** Independence, Oregon's unique program to help those seniors who are at high risk for premature or unnecessary entrance to more restrictive care and dependence on the Medicaid system. This will allow more seniors to remain in their own home or living situation for as long as possible resulting in independence for the senior, healthy quality of life and lowering of taxpayer costs from state and federally funded programs for longterm care via Medicaid. This includes patient-centered information, aging & disability resource centers, healthy aging initiatives, and hospital discharge planning.

**Project Title:** 

Bringing Runaway & Homeless Youth to Safety

Intended Recipient: Oregon Alliance of Children's Programs

Location:

Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$300,000

Account:

SSR

Description:

Centered in Portland, Oregon, this project aims to decrease interstate human and sex trafficking, by reducing the number of runaway and homeless children who are victims. The Alliance will use this funding to increase services intended to keep children and youth safe, reunite them with their families, and keep them in school. It will also engage nonprofit organizations that can demonstrate they are able to provide professional services through their infrastructure and supporting resources.

**Project Title:** 

Chemeketa Low Income Dental Clinic

Intended Recipient: Chemeketa Community College

Location:

Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$500,000

Account:

**HRSA** 

Chemeketa will launch a joint Dental Hygiene program with the **Description:** Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT), expanding current offerings in Dental Assisting and preparing students for high-growth family-wage jobs. The Health Science Complex will include a clinic offering free or low-cost preventative care to 1,500 clients per year, while training 20 students in dental hygiene. Funding is requested for equipment to provide dental exams, cleanings, restorations (fillings), digital x-rays, and electronic patient records.

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**Project Title:** 

Mental Health Community Outreach Project

Intended Recipient: Marion County, Oregon

Location:

Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$200,000

Account:

**SAHMSA** 

**Description:** 

This project will allow Marion County to continue serving indigent

mental health court participants. Funding will be used to purchase basic and wrap-around services including case management, addictions assessment and treatment, medications, transportation, dental work, psychiatrist/nurse practitioner assessments and medication

management. The number of active participants in mental health court ranges from 20-30 and approximately 10 of those participants are uninsured.

**Project Title:** 

Chemeketa Health Information Program

Intended Recipient: Chemeketa Community College

Location:

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Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$800,000

Account:

**HRSA** 

This project will develop and offer short-term training and degree **Description:** programs in Health Informatics (HI) and Medical Office Assisting (MOA). HI will prepare technicians, administrators, and specialists who can support the many varied electronic health information systems; MOA will train medical office assistants for family-wage jobs in a field with projected shortages of professionals experienced in medical coding, health information software protocols, data collection, and patient privacy. This project both helps the region's employers comply with government

mandates and ensure quality care by 2014 while also preparing graduates for family-wage

jobs.

**Project Title:** 

Chemeketa Applied Technology Center Equipment

Intended Recipient: Chemeketa Community College

Location: Request Amount: Salem, Oregon 97309

\$769,000 **FIPSE** 

Account:

This funding request will enable the Chemeketa Applied **Description:** 

Technology Center (CATC) to provide state-of-the-industry equipment in support of degree, certificate, and short-term training programs. The CATC will focus on all phases of the manufacturing process: developing markets and serving customers, facility and employee safety, process technology, product design, pre-fabrication, welding, automation and robotics, logistics, inventory and distribution, and quality control. Interwoven in all of these is sustainability: using economically, environmentally, and socially responsible practices to develop, make, and distribute products and services.

**Project Title:** 

Chemeketa Applied Technology Center Programming

Intended Recipient: Chemeketa Community College

Location:

Salem, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$676,700

Account:

ETA

**Description:** 

This funding request will enable the Chemeketa Applied

Technology Center (CATC) to develop and offer state-of-the-industry degree, certificate, and short-term training programs. The CATC will focus on all phases of the manufacturing process: developing markets and serving customers, facility and employee safety, process technology, product design, pre-fabrication, welding,

automation and robotics, logistics, inventory and distribution, and quality control. Interwoven in all of these is sustainability: using economically, environmentally, and socially responsible practices to develop, make, and distribute products and services.

**Project Title:** Siletz Tribal Health Care Delivery Expansion

**Intended Recipient:** Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Location: 201 SE Swan Avenue, Siletz, Oregon 97380

Request Amount: \$884,100 Account: **HRSA** 

Description: The Tribe requests funding for necessary equipment and staffing costs for their clinic. Funding the tribes' request will make inroads into addressing health care needs in a county that has been federally designated as an area with a shortage of

mental health and dental care professionals.

**Project Title:** Astoria Health Center

Intended Recipient: Coastal Family Health Center

Location: Astoria, Oregon 97103

Request Amount: \$884,100 Account: **HRSA** 

Description: This project allows Coastal Family Health Center (CFHC) to expand their space by an additional 5,000 square feet, allowing CFHC to increase capacity and services to all persons living or working in the communities in and around Clatsop County regardless of their ability to pay. CFHC plans to renovate a currently empty automobile dealership building in downtown Astoria with the financial help of the building's owners, along with several other partners in the project. Expanding space will allow the Coastal Family Health Center to add dental and mental health services, increasing primary care services that are already in extremely high demand, with little or no access for people who lack health or dental insurance.

**Project Title:** Siletz Tribal Child-Care Center Expansion Intended Recipient: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Location: Siletz, Oregon Request Amount: \$525,600 Account: SSR

**Description:** The Tribal Child-Care Center is overcrowded and inadequate to handle needs of families in the community. This proposal will help expand bathroom facilities to accommodate disabled children and provide shower facilities for hygienic needs; upgrade to a commercial kitchen, including adequate refrigerated food storage: and increase classroom number and size to accommodate day-care programs for working families, the early head-start program, and after-school programs.

Project Title:

KCC Practical Nursing Program – Health Simulation Laboratory

and Classroom

**Intended Recipient:** Klamath Community College

Location:

Klamath Falls, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$303,622

Account:

**FIPSE** 

**Description:** 

Klamath Community College is in the process of building, as part of its Phase One Project, a Health and Sciences building scheduled to open March 2011. This building will house a new health simulation lab and classroom. Funds from this request will be dedicated to equipment and programming for this Nursing Simulation Lab and classroom, which will provide resources for students to conduct new assessments or recertify existing skills.

**Project Title:** 

OIT Physical and Occupational Therapy Program

Intended Recipient: Oregon Institute of Technology

Location:

3201 Campus Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601-8801

Request Amount: Account:

\$550,000 **FIPSE** 

**Description:** 

Funds are requested to initiate a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

degree and an Occupational Therapy graduate program at the Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls. The funds will provide equipment for PT and OT, and startup faculty salaries for accreditation and initial program offerings. Continuation of personnel and operational costs will be covered by revenue from the program. Because of current medical imaging facilities, advanced anatomy laboratories, and expertise in allied health education, OIT is ideally positioned to offer programs in rehabilitative health.

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**Project Title:** 

OIT Clinical Laboratory Science Equipment

Intended Recipient: Oregon Institute of Technology

Location:

Klamath Falls, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$500,000

Account:

HRSA

Description:

Funds would be used to purchase equipment for the Clinical Lab Sciences (CLS) Program at Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT). Equipment is needed for both the existing program in Portland and the new program in Klamath Falls. OIT's statewide undergraduate allied health educational initiative is called the Oregon Center

for Health Professions.

**Project Title:** 

Klamath Integrated Health Services Building

Intended Recipient: Klamath County

Location:

Klamath Falls, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$640,000

Account:

HRSA

Description: The County plans to build a three-story facility for medical entities. This facility would house mental health and public health services, which are currently spread throughout the community. Co-locating all services in one easy-toaccess building will serve patients in a more cohesive manner.

**Project Title:** Columbia River Community Health Services Clinic

**Intended Recipient:** Columbia River Community Health Services

Boardman, Oregon Location:

\$884,100 **Request Amount:** HRSA Account:

Description: The project will replace the existing 5,000 square foot facility currently being rented, which is a unique amalgamation of two manufactured homes joined by on-site framing. The new facility will be a 14,130 square foot structure, built on a four-acre site down the street from the existing location. The new clinic will be the first facility in the community purposefully constructed to serve as a medical clinic.

**Project Title:** 

Malheur County Secure Residential Treatment Facility

Intended Recipient: Lifeways, Inc.

Location:

Ontario, Oregon 97914

Request Amount:

\$884,100

Account:

HRSA

Description: Funds will be used to build and operate an eight-bed residential treatment facility, plus two additional beds for respite care, with a possibility of later expansion. The eight-bed facility will create 14 jobs. It fills a gap in services with a more economical and better outcome solution than state hospitalization.

**Project Title:** 

CGCC National Workforce Innovation Training Center

**Intended Recipient:** Columbia Gorge Community College (CGCC)

Location:

The Dalles, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$769,000

Account:

**FIPSE** Funds will help construct a workforce training center with high-

Description: bay lab and classrooms on The Dalles campus. The facility will be constructed in three phases: 1) lab; 2) first classroom annex; 3) second classroom annex. Labs and classrooms will be designed for maximum flexibility to accommodate changing workforce training requirements of private industry. The site is developed and ready to build, but still needs to be designed and engineered. The building may be constructed in phases or as a single project, contingent upon funding.

**Project Title:** 

CGCC Classroom Instructional Technology Intended Recipient: Columbia Gorge Community College (CGCC)

Location:

The Dalles, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$252,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

Funds will be used to acquire and install "smart podium" systems in nine classrooms at The Dalles and Hood River campuses. Each system contains a computer, DVD/VCR and CD player, and a document imaging camera for broadcast or projection. Each podium connects to the Internet, allowing the instructor to introduce online content efficiently while supporting distance education through the college website.

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**Project Title:** 

Moro Medical Clinic Renovation and Enlargement

Intended Recipient: Sherman County Health Council

Location:

Moro, Oregon \$380,000

Request Amount: Account:

HRSA

Description:

Funds will be used to enlarge the clinic by joining the two

buildings, upgrade or install a security system, heating and air conditioning, generator for emergencies, new roof/upgrade and replace all exterior doors and windows in the Auxiliary building, bringing the entire facility up to code.

Project Title:

Children's Vision Foundation's Vision Screening Project

Intended Recipient: Children's Vision Foundation

Location:

Bend, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$200,000

Account:

**HRSA** 

Children's Vision Foundation will perform comprehensive vision **Description:** screenings on primarily elementary children in Oregon, in addition to at-risk juvenile participants of the Oregon Youth Challenge Program. This is accomplished through school and community vision screenings, public education, and advocacy to expand these cost-effective prevention services. This project will identify thousands of additional students with vision problems throughout Oregon.

**Project Title:** 

SOCC Curry Campus Building IT Infrastructure Intended Recipient: Southwestern Oregon Community College (SOCC)

Location:

Coos Bay, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$769,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

For the last 15 years, Southwestern Oregon Community College has held Curry classes in public schools, community buildings and at the Brookings Center, a woefully undersized and technologically inadequate facility. The new Curry Campus will be a full-service "campus in a building" with classrooms designed for 21st Century learning, including a state-of-the-art allied health training center and a community wing designed to provide additional classroom space and accommodate regional short-term training and conferences without disrupting the day-to-day operations of the college and regularly scheduled classes.

Project Title: Jackson County Health Clinic and Human Services Building

Intended Recipient: Jackson County Location: Medford, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$884,100 **Account:** HRSA

Description: The Jackson County Health Clinic and Human Services Building will provide social services to the most vulnerable residents of Jackson County through a partnership between the State of Oregon and Jackson County. Within the Jackson County Public Health portion of the facility, 5,538 square feet will be direct service clinic space providing the following services to vulnerable populations: immunizations, communicable disease prevention, detection, and control; HIV testing, counseling, case management (approximately 75 clients); maternal child health nursing services performing approximately 2,000 home/clinic visits annually; comprehensive family planning services to more than 3,000 women annually; and WIC (6,839 clients). Services are delivered by doctors, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and health assistants.

Project Title: Lakeside Emergency Operations Training Equipment

Intended Recipient: Lakeside Rural Fire Protection District #4

**Location:** Lakeside, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$100,875 **Account:** ETA

**Description:** This project will provide and update essential equipment for the Lakeside Fire District to train and certify 50-60 emergency responders, which includes the purchase of computers, projectors, monitors, testing stations, GPS devices and radios. With this equipment, Lakeside will be one of a handful of emergency response training centers in Oregon, ending the need to send trainees up to 2000 miles away for certification. The Lakeside Fire District currently educates and certifies emergency management personnel for Federal, State, and local emergencies. These training aids will allow them to meet educational standards and requirements consistent with NIMS, FEMA, OSHA, NFPA, and State and local standards.

Project Title: Medford Dental Clinic

Intended Recipient: La Clinica del Valle Family Health Care Center, Inc.

Location: Medford, Oregon

Request Amount: \$884,100 Account: HRSA

**Description:** La Clinica del Valle proposes opening a 30-room dental clinic to house 23 dental health professionals. This new site will serve 7,200 dental patients a year—increasing current dental capacity by 99 percent to address a 3,500 person wait list and meet the community's growing need for affordable dental care. This new facility will help train future dental health professionals by serving as a practicum site for dental students from Oregon Health & Science University and Rogue Community College.

**Project Title:** Southern Coos Hospital Electronic Health Records

Intended Recipient: Southern Coos Health District

Location:

Bandon, Oregon 97411

Request Amount: Account:

\$552,000 HRSA

Description: Funding will allow Bandon's rural, 19-bed hospital to complete a \$3,000,000 Health Information System (HIS) that will integrate administrative operations and patient care to include full Electronic Health Record (EHR) capability. Funds would purchases of tware, hardware, peripheral equipment and on-site staff training, allowing the hospital to transform from paper-based to a digital system to efficiently send medical images, patient health records and other vital information internally and to off-site physicians and hospitals. This will benefit appropriate and efficient patient care, expanding access to the expertise of medical professionals and specialists in the larger urban areas adding efficiency to the hospital's fiscal operations and qualifying the hospital to partially recover HIS implementation expenses by meeting federal EHR "meaningful use" criteria.

**Project Title:** 

Kids in Common

Intended Recipient: Douglas CARES (Child Abuse Response and Evaluation Services)

Location:

Roseburg, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$525,000

Account:

CA

Description:

Kids in Common, a collaboration of three proven non-profits, delivers effective interventions in cases of child abuse. This valuable partnership provides a more coordinated network of response, better opportunities for healing due to an increase of services to child victims and their families, and greater community involvement due to increased awareness of child abuse. This creates more efficient and effective ways to deliver critical services to children in need.

**Project Title:** 

Oregon Center for Aging and Technology Intended Recipient: Oregon Health & Science University

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$800,000

Account:

HRSA

Description:

OHSU requests support to transition ORCATECH's unique homebased independent-living research model that currently includes 230 homes into a statewide network dedicated to establishing the evidence that technology can be used to allow Older Americans to "age in place." The proposed network would comprise five clusters

of 20 technology-enabled homes throughout Oregon covering key constituencies (rural, urban, ethnic minorities, and socioeconomic diversity). The statewide network of technology-enabled homes would provide a scalable, flexible test-bed for scientific,

clinical, behavioral, and economic research into independent living technologies with the ultimate goal of improving seniors' quality of life as they "age in place."

**Project Title:** 

Oregon Center for Translational Genomics

Intended Recipient: Oregon Health & Science University

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$695,000

Account:

HRSA

Description:

The Oregon Center for Translational Genomics at OHSU focuses on finding specific genetic markers that predict disease risk and treatment response. In order to meet the Center's demand, they need to purchase a state-of-the-art, 3rd generation high throughput sequencer, the Pacific BioSciences SMRT Sequencer. Currently, the Center is focusing on some cancers, type II diabetes, obesity, osteoporosis, alcohol and substance abuse and rarer diseases, especially the "orphan" pediatric disorders. The Center serves as a shared resource to OHSU faculty from multiple departments and research institutes and to all of Oregon's scientists, offering the ability to a more affordable means to access highly specialized and expensive technology that cannot be supported by individual labs.

**Project Title:** 

Start Making A Reader Today

**Intended Recipient:** SMART (Start Making A Reader Today)

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$627,400

Account:

FIE

Description: Start Making A Reader Today (SMART) envisions an Oregon where every child can read and is empowered to succeed. SMART's mission is to engage community volunteers to read one-on-one with Kindergarten through third grade children who need literacy support. Participating children also receive new books each month to keep and read with their families.

**Project Title:** 

Kiddazzle Dental Network, Inc, for equipment and supplies related

to pediatric dental services

Location:

Intended Recipient: Kiddazzle Dental Network, Inc. Lake Oswego, Oregon 97034

Request Amount:

\$437,000

Account:

HRSA

Description:

While insurance reforms have resulted in more children being

covered by the Oregon Health Plan, there remains a problem of sufficiency – not enough dentists, not enough access, and needs for care that are greater than the insurance coverage available. In January of 2010, the one clinic that had served Portland's most atrisk, indigent neighborhood announced it would close due to lack of funding. Kiddazzle's project is designed to increase capacity, streamline service delivery, and

build a model that can be replicated at a low cost throughout the state and attract sustainable sources of funding.

**Project Title:** 

Student Success Network Intended Recipient: Portland State University

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$769,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

Description:

The SUCCESS Coalition, a PK-20 Initiative, will create a network of educational and community based organizations aligned around a set of common measureable objectives that are targeted to increasing student academic success from

birth through post-secondary graduation and career entry. Activities will include the identification of research-based performance indicators that contribute to student academic success; the creation of publicly reported measures of those indicators; the facilitation of community planning to improve overall regional performance on the indicators and the leveraging of university research capacity and scholarship to address the identified improvement needs of schools in the region served by the university.

**Project Title:** 

North Portland Multimedia Training Center

Intended Recipient: The Skanner Foundation

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$676,700

Account:

**ETA** 

Description:

Funding will be used to provide development of the N. Williams Street site to provide computer and internet access and training to those who have not been able to keep up with technology, including computer access, internet access, and other state-of-the-art technology available to the larger community. This project supports the goals of The Skanner Foundation's Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, which helps further education by providing scholarships for post-secondary education opportunities for deserving individuals from minority and underserved communities of Portland. Through this project, thousands of individuals from the community will benefit from educational and outreach expertise.

**Project Title:** 

Sustainable Careers for a Green Economic Recovery

Intended Recipient: Portland Community College

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$769,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

PCC's Sustainable Careers Program will meet the demand for **Description:** trained workers to support growth in Oregon's sustainable industries, while also creating and supporting permanent "family wage" green-collar jobs for Oregon residents. These training programs will be designed with the direct input of Oregon businesses, helping

transform sustainable industry training programs at PCC into long-term sustainable industry careers for Oregon residents.

**Project Title:** 

Digital Media Training & Job Readiness Program

Intended Recipient: Portland Community Media

Location:

Portland, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$300,000

Account:

ETA

**Description:** 

Portland Community Media's Youth Media program will work with WorkSystems, Inc. and Worksource Oregon to recruit a diverse range of youth, specifically underserved youth ages 16 to 21, to participate in multimedia training for placement in summer jobs.

**Project Title:** 

Training the Health IT Workforce

Intended Recipient: Portland Community College

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$206,209

Account:

HRSA

Description: Despite record-high unemployment rates in Oregon and across the country, there is a dramatic shortage of workers in Health IT that is expected to worsen over the next several years. This project will help Oregon meet that demand by increasing the capacity of a newly-developed Health Informatics degree program to 120 students per year. By leveraging PCC's unique combination of training expertise, industry connections, and access to diverse populations, this project will increase educational and employment opportunities for workers displaced by the recession while augmenting the

supply of trained Health IT workers.

**Project Title:** 

Inter-Professional Curriculum Development

**Intended Recipient:** Oregon Health & Science University

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$750,000

Account:

**FIPSE** 

**Description:** Oregon Health & Science University seeks funding to develop a healthcare inter-professional curriculum for medical, nursing, dental, and pharmacy students in order to improve the health and well-being of Oregonians and to teach the state's future healthcare professionals how to work more effectively and efficiently in teams. Specifically, the funding will be used to develop case-based modules related to the following seven themes: Roles & Reform; Teams & Conflict; Organizational Change & Leadership; Quality & Safety; Global Health; Ethics; and Clinical Care. These modules will be developed around a simulated e-health delivery system and would consist of experiential, on-line and in-class activities.

**Project Title:** Youth Development Initiative

Intended Recipient: Self Enhancement, Inc.

Location: Portland, Oregon Request Amount: \$627,400

Request Amount: \$627 Account: FIE

Description: This project focuses on expanding services that have a proven record of success in closing the achievement gap. Self Enhancement Inc. (SEI) core program expansion in Portland will include serving more students in Portland Public Schools where SEI already has a presence. It will also conduct a feasibility study to expand to other high schools to reach more at risk youth. The project's goal is to increase the number of students served through core programs to attain a "tipping point," positively influencing overall graduation rates for Portland Public Schools. Finally, the Youth Development Initiative would create a Portland Youth Development Collaborative to share best practices with other agencies and non-profit organizations who work with at risk youth designed to positively influence educational and economic outcomes for the entire state of Oregon.

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**Project Title:** Neighborhood Housing and Care Program (NHCP)

Intended Recipient: Our House of Portland, Inc.

Location: Portland, Oregon

**Request Amount:** \$115,000 **Account:** HRSA

Description: The Neighborhood Housing and Care Program (NHCP) will facilitate independent living for residents who are too well to require 24-hour residential nursing care or to live in a foster home, but still require assistance with medical, mental health, addiction issues, and in some cases, rental assistance. It will allow those living with HIV/AIDS, who are at risk of homelessness and/or declining health, the support necessary to live in their homes for as long as possible. NHCP will provide an opportunity to expand and enrich the social network for those in the program who may have become isolated by incorporating them in the activities that are available through the Our House continuum of care, while supporting the social networks already in place. Additionally, this program will prevent costly medical interventions by proactively monitoring the health and well-being of Our House clients.

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Project Title: Oregon Translational Research and Drug Development Institute

and Shared Resource Laboratories

**Intended Recipient:** Oregon Translational Research and Drug Development Institute

Location: Portland, Oregon

Request Amount: \$884,100 Account: HRSA

**Description:** Enhancing basic research with an eye toward improving healthcare outcomes while stimulating job and company creation in the bioscience sector requires access to great ideas for implementation in a collaborative and entrepreneurial environment close to medical school and university bioscience resources. The State of

Oregon, through the Oregon Translational Research and Drug Development Institute (OTRADI), supports enhancement of bioscience cluster development and establishment of shared collaborative research space in a new 300,000 square foot Life Sciences Collaborative Complex (LSCC).

**Project Title:** 

Multiple Sclerosis Network and Registry Intended Recipient: Providence Multiple Sclerosis Center

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$500,000

Account:

CDC

Description: The incidence of Multiple Sclerosis in Oregon is among the highest in the U.S. but there is a severe and ongoing shortage of neurologists in the state who are specifically trained and willing to focus on the treatment of this disease. The problem is particularly acute in more remote, rural areas. To respond to this medical challenge, the Providence Brain Institute and Multiple Sclerosis Center is taking leadership in the development and implementation of the Oregon Multiple Sclerosis Network and Registry Project.

**Project Title:** 

Family Caregiver Support Project Intended Recipient: Volunteers of America of Oregon, Inc.

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$543,000

Account:

AOA

Description: By reducing the barriers that typically confront the low income, frail, elderly, and disabled adults in the community, the Family Caregiver Support Project seeks to divert people from higher cost care options by keeping people in their homes with a loved one or family member acting as a primary caregiver. This goal will be achieved through a higher utilization rate of adult day centers. This funding would be specifically directed to programming costs related to serving low-income, frail, elderly seniors and disabled adults at two Adult Day Centers in Portland.

**Project Title:** 

East County School-Based Health Center

Intended Recipient: Multnomah County Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

Account:

\$360,000

HRSA

**Description:** 

Funding for this project will help develop a School-Based Health

Center (SBHC) site at an East Multnomah County School location where there is community support and growing school-age youth health care demand. The SBHC will provide comprehensive primary care and prevention services. Expansion of the SBHC services will support the youth of East County.

**Project Title:** Legacy Pediatric Critical Care Telemedicine Service

**Intended Recipient:** Legacy Health System Portland, Oregon Location:

\$250,000 Request Amount: Account: HRSA

**Description:** This project will leverage the expertise of the Legacy Pediatric Critical Care Telemedicine service (LPCCT) and The Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center to improve emergency room access to pediatric specialists, improve the quality of pediatric patient care, and provide cost savings to the health system. The LPPCT will support telemedicine consultations for any critically ill children, including those with respiratory distress/failure, seizures, sepsis, trauma and cardiac issues. The LPCCT will use telemedicine equipment to provide real-time remote pediatric consultations to emergency rooms throughout Oregon and southern Washington.

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**Project Title:** 

Aging in Place Initiative

Intended Recipient: Jewish Family & Child Service (JFCS)

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount: \$200,000 Account: AOA

Description: This request is to expand the services and geographic focus of the NORC-SSP Naturally Occurring Retirement Community-Support Service Program (NORC-SSP), an innovative community-based health and social services program operating in 25 states nationwide. This program assists the growing number of seniors in the community seeking to age in place through services such as case management and advocacy, and opportunities for socialization, recreation, education, volunteering, and employment. If funded, funds will direct federal and community supports and technical assistance to better utilize and improve existing local services and programming, build a body of research and evaluation data, and disseminate findings to the broader Aging Services Network.

**Project Title:** 

Student Success Project

Intended Recipient: Foundations for a Better Oregon c/o Chalkboard Project

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$500,000

Account:

FIE

Description:

Chalkboard Project worked with Sherwood, Forest Grove and

Tillamook school districts to design and implement more effective performance evaluation systems, research-based professional development, expanded career ladders, and new compensation models linked to increasing student achievement for both teachers and administrators. The purpose of the project is to increase teaching effectiveness of all teachers as a means to increase achievement for all students. The project was designed by each school district's union representatives, superintendent, and school board using a collaborative and innovative process managed by Chalkboard Project.

**Project Title:** 

Retinal Imaging Program

Intended Recipient: Center for Enhanced Diabetic Eye Care (CEDEC)

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$471,250

Account:

**HRSA** 

Description:

Diabetic Retinopathy is the leading cause of legal blindness in America among adults. The Center for Enhanced Diabetic Eye Care will install two noninvasive, patient-centric telemedicine-based diabetic retinopathy programs that will significantly increase the required annual diabetic retinal eye exam compliance for the patient. The exam will provide enhanced diabetic services and care to disproportionately affected patients most impacted by the disease (African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans and Asian Americans) and the earlier detection and monitoring capabilities will measurably reduce the overall direct and indirect costs associated with diabetic care (blindness, obesity, lower extremity amputations, heart disease and kidney failure).

**Project Title:** 

Test Oregon

Intended Recipient: Cascade AIDS Project

Location:

Portland, Oregon

**Request Amount:** 

\$180,000

Account:

CDC

**Description:** Recognizing the disparity for Oregonians regarding early case finding for HIV compared to national averages, Cascade AIDS Project (CAP) and HIV Alliance seek to expand HIV testing in Oregon and thereby improve health outcomes. Specific efforts will focus on social marketing to increase demand for testing through private providers, while also increasing availability of mobile and community-based testing to high-risk populations via CAP and HIV Alliance. Efforts will build on existing programs and leverage substantial federal, state and private dollars.

**Project Title:** 

211 for Oregon

Intended Recipient: 211info

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$250,000

Account:

SSR

Description:

2-1-1 service is currently available in seven Oregon counties. Through this project, 211info will expand 2-1-1 to the rest of Oregon by investing in local data hubs which will manage the health and human service database vital to

responding to 2-1-1 calls. 211info will manage the statewide network and will respond to 2-1-1 calls at a centralized call center.

**Project Title:** 

Oregon Health Professions Training Program

**Intended Recipient:** Oregon Health Career Center

Wilsonville, Oregon Location:

**Request Amount:** \$489,831 Account: ETA

Funding will be used to launch a pilot program with national **Description:** implications to help Community Health Centers and small hospitals support current employees who are in low-paying, entry-level jobs prepare for stable, family-wage positions in high demand health professions, based on a successful grow-your-own model. These funds will pay for a distance learning-based prerequisite program, (partnered with an employer-paid nursing education program), designed to complement the work schedules and geography of participants throughout Oregon. Tutors, distance learning experts, and counselors will be available to participants both on-line and on-site in their workplace and home communities.

**Project Title:** 

Portland's Call to Action for Literacy

Intended Recipient: Boys & Girls Clubs of Portland Metropolitan Area

Location:

Portland, Oregon

\$600,000 **Request Amount:** FIE Account:

One in five children nationwide is affected by a language-based Description: disability, the most common of which is dyslexia. This project will save the lives of thousands of Oregon children through: 1) a statewide awareness campaign to educate Oregonians about overcoming reading failure; and 2) Literacy Center Programs that provide targeted instruction to dyslexic youth. This program will provide literacy support for more than 900 youth per year for a fee of only \$5 per year. Similar programs in the Portland metro area cost up to \$14,500 a year, a fee that is far out of reach for most Boys & Girls Club families. The project is being evaluated by the University of Oregon and the two-year assessment will demonstrate the extent to which BGCP literacy centers are effective as after-school service delivery models. In addition to creating and retaining jobs, this project provides quality academic support to children from economically disadvantaged circumstances. Over the past decade, almost 38 percent of fourth-graders, and at least 60 percent of fourth-graders growing up in poverty, fail to meet basic literacy standards. Without proficient reading skills, many of these kids face little potential for occupational, economic and social advancement, as evidenced by the fact that 85 percent of juvenile offenders have reading problems. BGCP's aggressive, innovative approach to remediating reading failure gives young people the tools to develop into productive and responsible citizens who do not need to rely on social safety nets.

**Project Title:** 

Portland Green Energy Training Program

Intended Recipient: Urban League of Portland

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$550,000

Account:

**ETA** 

The program will recruit, case manage, and train community **Description:** members in green jobs such as HVAC, solar technology and brownfield site remediation

and facilities' installations in solar and wind technology. If fully funded, the Urban League will be able to screen up to 80 applicants per month, with eligibility determining the final number of program participants.

**Project Title:** Oregon Child Welfare Electronic Client Case File

Intended Recipient: Oregon Department of Human Services, Children, Adults and

Families, Child Welfare

Location: Salem, Oregon Request Amount:

\$1,000,000

Account:

CA

Description: The Children, Adults and Families, Child Welfare office has approximately 60,000 client case files comprised of paper-based information produced and submitted from internal and external sources including caseworkers, clients, partners, and service providers. Although case information is derived in multiple ways including paper documents, e-mails, faxes and copies of documents and legal files, most of this information is paper-based. This project would create electronic records capacity for documents in case files created outside of the Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS) by partners and stakeholders, moving Oregon to a more paperless and secure case management system.

**Project Title:** Helping our Heroes: Preventing Suicide Among Oregon Soldiers

and Providing Support to Military Families

Intended Recipient: Oregon Partnership

Location:

Portland, OR

Request Amount:

\$478,000

Account: SAMHSA

The "Helping Our Heroes" project will create a dedicated Oregon **Description:** Line at OP's LifeLine Call Center for returning soldiers and their families dealing with mental health, suicide, and alcohol and drug problems--providing hands-on support to military children and families prior to, during, and after the deployment of a parent or loved one. OP will recruit and train war veterans as staff to answer calls from military members and their families.

**Project Title:** Portland Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Support Center

Intended Recipient: YWCA of Greater Portland

Location:

Portland, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$600,000

Account:

SSR

**Description:** 

The project will provide services to victims of human trafficking. The YWCA currently owns a facility (formerly utilized as a homeless shelter) that is available for conversion to this population of need. Programming will be developed using YWCA's extensive experience in providing shelter and services to survivors of domestic violence.

**Project Title:** 

Veterans Job Training Program Intended Recipient: Clackamas Community College

Location:

Oregon City, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$676,700

Account:

**ETA** 

Description:

This project would launch a comprehensive regional model to train and transition veterans into skilled workplace occupations. At least 5,000 veterans will be served by these funds. The program will pioneer new models for speeding the connection between returning veterans with high skills training and employers with high wage jobs in the civilian economy.

**Project Title:** 

Disability Workforce Training

Intended Recipient: Progressive Options, Inc. Location:

South Beach, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$67,000

Account:

**ETA** 

Description:

Progressive Options is seeking funding to cover costs to provide pre-employment skills training and basic computer literacy for its disabled clients. The typical client population falls into three major categories with respect to employability: 1) A person with a disability who has not been successful in navigating through the Workforce Development One-Stop process and has had no success in finding employment on their own; 2) An individual with serious mental illness requiring regular ongoing assistance from mental health services and work site accommodation; 3) A person with a disability who is eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation services and has been referred to POCIL for assessment and case management.

**Project Title:** 

Lake County Main Library Equipment

Intended Recipient: Lake County Library District

Location:

Lakeview, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$150,000

Account:

**IMLS** 

Description:

Funding will be used to purchase furnishings and equipment

(library shelves, chairs and tables, community room furniture, additional computers, etc.)

for the new main library building.

**Project Title:** 

Lake County Main Library Intended Recipient: Lake County Library District

Location:

Lakeview, Oregon

Request Amount:

\$574,800

Account:

**IMLS** 

Description: The proposed new main library building will be a brick exterior, 10,113 square foot facility, located in the downtown Lakeview core. It will serve all Lake County residents and will replace the old library which has been operating out of a portion of the Lake County Courthouse. The design includes a children's library and story area, a young adult section, community meeting rooms that can be used after-hours, comfortable reading areas, children and adult computer access, a gift shop, and an outdoor reading area with space for a community garden. The design also includes a rental space to be occupied by the Treasure Valley Community College Outreach office, the only higher education presence in Lake County. The library is designed for energy efficiency and cost savings including 100 percent day-lighting and a roofline adaptable for solar photovoltaic cells. The building will be set back from the street so that its front wall aligns with the historic post office next door and will complement the existing architecture of downtown Lakeview. The new building will enable the library to offer expanded public programs in the new community rooms.

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Project Title: Klamath Tribe Job Training Project

Intended Recipient: Klamath Tribes
Location: Klamath Tribes
Chiloquin, Oregon

Request Amount: \$676,700 Account: ETA

Description: The Klamath Tribe is affected by a 60 percent unemployment rate. This will be a training program for tribal members to take on the labor-intensive work associated with river and wetland restoration in the Klamath Basin. Over a one and a half year period, the program will train 10 people to plan, administer and implement projects involving re-establishment of native wetland plants like wocas, riparian fence construction and maintenance, management of invasive noxious weeds within riparian corridors, upland range improvements linked to changing grazing management in riparian corridors, and other approaches to river and fisheries restoration. Training will revolve around hands-on projects with trainees learning restoration by doing restoration.

We would also like to express our support for the following national programs which provide vital support to the communities in Oregon. Those programs include Reach Out and Read, Parents Anonymous, the Library Services and Technology Act and Improving Literacy Through School Libraries program, Parental Information and Resource Centers, the Title X Family Planning program, Job Corps, YouthBuild, the Community Innovations for Aging in Place Program, Head Start, Early Head Start, and Child Care and Development Block Grant programs, Pell grants, Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title VII Health Professions program, Title VIII Health Professional program, Healthy Start, Community Health Centers, Rural Health Programs, Trauma Care Systems Planning and Development Act, Poison Control Centers, HIV Research Network, National Psoriasis Registry, NIH research for Neurodegeneration with Brain Iron Accumulation (NBIA), the Older Americans Act, Office of Refugee Resettlement's (ORR) program for treatment of victims of torture, State Paid Leave Fund, and Tourette Syndrome research.

Additionally, we certify that neither ourselves nor our immediate families have a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) that we have requested, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. We further certify that we have posted a description of the items requested on our official websites, along with the accompanying justification.

Thank you for your consideration of these worthy projects. We appreciate your strong and continued leadership and look forward to working with you this year on funding vital to our nation. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Isaiah Akin in Senator Wyden's office at 224-5244 or Ms. Courtney Thompson in Senator Merkley's office at 224-3753.

Sincerely,

Ron Wyden

United States Senator

Jeff Merkley

United States Senator